

Claim Amendments

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1. (Currently Amended) A molded thermoplastic product comprising an outer surface with ~~a matte~~ an etched pattern and frosted matte finish, ~~wherein the matte finish is produced by a combination of an etched mold in which the product is molded to physically affect the outer surface and a colorant compounded in the thermoplastic to chemically affect the outer surface.~~
2. (Previously Presented) The product of Claim 1, wherein the outer surface is located in one area of the product to provide a different matte finish appearance from the remainder of the product.
3. (Previously Presented) The product of Claim 1, wherein the product is molded from a thermoplastic resin that is transparent, semi-transparent, or translucent.
4. (Previously Presented) The product of Claim 3, wherein the thermoplastic resin is selected from the group consisting of polyethylene terephthalate (PET); cyclohexanedimethanol-modified PET (PETG); styrene acrylonitrile copolymer (SAN); general purpose styrene (GPS); polycarbonate (PC); and combinations thereof.
5. (Currently Amended) The product of Claim 1, wherein the frosted finish occurs because of the colorant is a frost colorant present in the thermoplastic product ranging from about 0.01 to about 15 parts by weight of thermoplastic resin.
6. (Currently Amended) The product of Claim 1, wherein the frosted colorant is ~~a frost colorant~~ present in the thermoplastic product ranging from about 0.2 to about 5 parts by weight of thermoplastic resin.
7. (Currently Amended) The product of Claim 1, wherein the etched pattern ~~mold~~ has depressions ranging from about 0.1 μ m to about 100 μ m.

8. (Currently Amended) The product of Claim 1, wherein the etched pattern mold has depressions ranging from about 0.5 μ m to about 10 μ m.

9. (Currently Amended) The product of Claim 8, wherein etched pattern mold has a surface area comprised of lands and depressions and wherein the ratio of depressions to lands in the surface area can range from about 1 to about 90 percent.

10. (Previously Presented) The product of Claim 9, wherein the ratio of depressions to lands in the surface area can range from about 50 to about 80 percent.

11. (Currently Amended) ~~The product of Claim 1, wherein the product is made by a~~ A process comprising the steps of:

- (a) etching a mold in a manner to provide a physical texture;
- (b) compounding a frost colorant into a thermoplastic resin; and
- (c) blow-molding the thermoplastic resin in the etched mold to form the product to have a frosted matte finish with an etched pattern.

12. (Currently Amended) The product process of Claim 11, wherein the frost colorant is in the form of pellets to be fed into equipment to achieve a uniform effect of a frosted glass appearance in the product.

13. (Previously Presented) The product of Claim 1, wherein the product is in a useful form selected from the group consisting of packaging, containers, cosmetics, housewares, toys, outdoor furniture, computer and printer housings, jewel boxes, vases, light fixtures, backlighting, signs, buttons, and personal electronic products.

14. (Currently Amended) The product of Claim 13, wherein the frosted matte finish ~~colorant provides~~ diffused translucency ~~to the product~~ and the etched pattern mold adds tactile texture to the product.